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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been [] established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and .[ ] 1.27 is enclosed.

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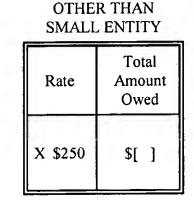
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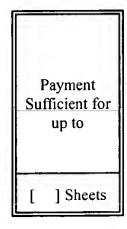
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## Petition for Extension of Time

- [ ] Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the [ ] dated [ ] for [ ] month(s) from [ ] to [ ]. The appropriate fee is set forth below.
- [X] The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated April 28, 2006 for two months, from July 28, 2006 to September 28, 2006, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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